



MONDAY EVENING, MAR. 8, 1909.

The police authorities have captured at Little Rock, Ark., a gang of swindlers who are believed to have won nearly \$1,000,000 on fake sporting events. The headquarters of the gang were at Council Bluffs, Iowa, and no less than 300 agents were employed in the various parts of the country.

TAKING OF testimony in the trial of Colonel Cooper, his son, Robin Cooper, and John D. Sharp, for the killing of former Senator Carmack, was finished in Nashville, Tenn., on Saturday. Court then adjourned until today, when the arguments of counsel were begun.

CAPT. HOBSON now a member of Congress from Alabama sent the handwriting on the wall and knowing that he will be defeated at the next election, is making up his mind to do the mammoth of unrighteousness.

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confidence that they can win additional rights for the common members of the House and that the days of czarism are nearing an end. There seems to be no doubt of the re-election of Speaker Cannon but the fight against the rules will go on until the insurgents feel that they have obtained the full measure of their rights.

The new attorney general, George W. Wickereham, was today formally presented to the U. S. Supreme Court by Solicitor General Hoyt. Although Mr. Wickereham has appeared before the court before as a private practitioner, the judicial red tape required that he be "introduced" again, and his commission shown to the court.

The order of former Secretary of the Navy Newberry closing the navy yards at New Orleans and Pensacola was revoked today by Secretary of the Navy Meyer. The first official action was taken upon the representations of the senatorial delegations, who called upon Secretary Meyer last week.

President Taft is planning to make a swing around the circle in the west next summer and is very likely to extend his western trip to Alaska, if he finds his time permits. He has given the projectors of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition a tentative promise to attend their show and has told a number of friends that he intended visiting Alaska as soon as possible.

Judge Mann cannot name a single congressional district that he is certain to carry, said Mr. Harry St. George Tucker, while in this city on Saturday. "I am thoroughly satisfied with the outlook. I could put it much more strongly."

The rear guard of civic and military organizations that participated in President Taft's inauguration departed today and the city is assuming its normal appearance and condition. The decorations and stands are fast being taken down and in a few days not a vestige of the inauguration splendor will remain.

Willis L. Moore, chief of the weather bureau called at the White House today to "square" himself for the elemental mischief that was perpetrated on Thursday. He was plainly scared and did not deny it.

The comptroller of the currency today appointed Miller Weir of Jacksonville, Ill., as the third of the four bank examiners at large which he has recently decided upon.

Secretary of State Knox will hold a formal reception to the heads of the diplomatic missions on Wednesday. The affair will mark the revival of the traditional observance upon the inception of a new administration.

For the first time in many years, the enlisted strength of the cavalry, infantry and artillery arms of the army, is up to the limit authorized by Congress and orders have been issued to recruiting officers in various parts of the country to discontinue enlistments temporarily with the exception of soldiers who desire to re-enter the recruit depots with the recruits as yet for preliminary training, are over crowded.

Socialists Make Gains. Rome, March 8.—Socialists have materially increased their representation in the Italian Parliament, according to the returns so far coming in today from yesterday's elections.

FREE POSTAGE. One of the last official acts of George von L. Meyer, as Postmaster-General, was the issuance of an order directing that all mail matter sent by Frances F. Cleveland, widow of President Grover Cleveland, and by Mary Lord Harrison, widow of President Benjamin Harrison, under their true autograph signatures shall hereafter be conveyed free of postage during their natural lives.

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News of the Day.

Daniel Schilland, a Boston policeman shot and killed his wife early this morning, and so wounded himself that he died shortly afterward.

The Russian minister of finance announced that Russia's gold reserve exceeds \$600,000,000, and the gold surplus ensuring the right to issue currency amounts to \$240,000,000.

A special from Rockwall, Tex., says the negro, Anderson Ellis, charged with assault, was burned in the public square, yesterday. A negro, name as yet unknown, was lynched early in the evening for harboring Ellis.

Daniel Bowden, 44 years of age, a respectable farmer near Chinoque, committed suicide at his home Saturday night by blowing out his brains during his wife's absence from the room.

Elmer Kann, aged 47 years of Green-castle, Md., was found dead Saturday near Mount Holly with a long gash on the left side of his face.

The military have been called out to aid in the capture of Hirschel Hogg, a confessed leader of the gang of night riders that killed Captain Rankin, at Walnut Log, Tenn., last October and who escaped from jail at Dresden, Saturday night.

A number of members of the social revolutionary party were today sentenced in Paris to prison terms from two days to two months, as a result of the street demonstrations yesterday during the unveiling of the Fliguet monument.

Mrs. Jane Graham, 34 years old, of Barton, Md., committed suicide yesterday morning by shooting herself in the forehead with her husband's revolver.

Mrs. Henry C. Jacobs, of Norwich, N. Y., shot her husband in the head yesterday, inflicting serious injury, and then shot and fatally wounded herself.

Waking at 4 o'clock yesterday morning at her home, in Beaver, 90 miles west of Pittsburgh, Pa., Mrs. Manie McKee, a widow, found William G. Wilner, a rejected suitor, standing at her bedside, and when she declared again in answer to his question, that she did not love the man he fired four bullets into her head.

Orchards in the Strasburg section are said to be entirely free of the San Jose scale pest. Its extermination is said to be due to the drought of last fall and smoke from the forest fire.

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Today's Telegraphic News

Argument Begun. Nashville, Tenn., March 8.—With a dramatic setting, the court, defendants and spectators, alike, showing the result of the strain of the six weeks of the trial, argument was at last begun today in the case of Col. Dancon B. Cooper, his son, Robie, and former Sheriff Jobo D. Sharp, charged with the murder of former Senator Edward W. Carmack.

A court room twice as large could not have held half the spectators who flocked in today, to hear the oratorical climax of the trial. Long before court opened, hundreds had been turned away and about the court house hundreds of people are still massed, awaiting some word from the inside.

The arguments began shortly after 9 o'clock and they are not expected to end before Wednesday night or Thursday morning, as no limit has been set upon the time allowed each speaker.

Insane Trooper. San Francisco, March 8.—Continually crying the name of Jennie Boscheiter, the Paterson, N. J., girl, who was murdered several years ago by three prominent young men, as the result of a criminal attack upon her, Alexander Glass, a private in Troop O, Fifth Cavalry, is today confined in the insane ward of the Presidio General Hospital.

Wants Newspaper Advice. Berlin, March 8.—The Kaiser has decided to seek the advice of the newspapers on the task of governing the empire. Impressed by the political troubles of the last few months, which culminated in the bitter attacks made on him in the Reichstag, the Kaiser believes his difficulties have been largely caused by lack of information as to the real views of his subjects.

Former Officials Sentenced. New York, March 8.—Col. Edward Enright, prominent for many years in National Guard circles, in this state, and Frederick H. Schroeder, a Brooklyn banker, and financier, were today sentenced to terms in Sing Sing prison, by Supreme Court Justice Jaycox.

Quiet Follows Lynching. Dallas, Texas, March 8.—Reports from Rockwell today say that in spite of the lynching of the negro Ellis there last night and the killing of another negro, the negroes are quiet and there is little fear of an outbreak of race feeling.

Increase in Railroad Revenues. New York, March 8.—With figures at hand as filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, financial interests here are jubilant over the showing of nearly every railroad in the country. Instead of the deficit shown in January, 1908, big gains in operating revenues were made for January of this year.

Dowager Empress Visits Sister. London, March 8.—The Dowager Empress of Russia arrived here today and will be the guest of her sister, Queen Alexandra, for several months, and as the Russian court is in mourning, the visit will be strictly informal.

Alleged Swindlers on Trial. Chicago, March 8.—Miss Agnes L. Sixty, "The Female Wizard of Finance," who in six years developed from a simple country girl to a promoter of companies with stock issues of millions, today was placed on trial here charged with swindling John M. Armstrong, who built the old Chicago City Hall, will be tried jointly with her.

Railroads Win. Kansas City, Mo., March 8.—Judge McPherson, of the United States District Court, today handed down a decision favoring the railroads in the two-cent fare and maximum rate cases, granting the injunction sought against enforcing the Missouri rule. The contention of the eighteen railroads operating in the state that the laws were confiscatory, and violated the federal constitution by taking away property without due process of law, was sustained.

Austria and Servia. London, March 8.—In the opinion of Austrian diplomats Servia will be unable to withstand Austria's threat not to renew the commercial treaty between the two countries when it expires on March 31, unless Servia renounces her present position.

Seven Thousand Letters Burn. Boston, March 8.—The explosion of a lamp in a mail car at the North Union terminal this morning destroyed 7,000 west bound letters. The car was to have been attached to a train for the west via Troy and Albany.

Railroad Accident. Baltimore, Md., March 8.—A train of 29 coal cars wrecked on the Western Maryland Railroad at Fulton station, this city, this morning. The locomotive and 11 cars were completely demolished.

Steamers Burned. Gallipoli, O., March 8.—An exploding lantern burned the steamers J. M. Howell and Emma Marie in the water's edge in the mouth of the Great Kanawha river early today.

Killed by Explosion. Wilmington, Del., March 8.—Two men were killed early today when an explosion of an experimental barrel of powder occurred at the Dupont plant on the Brandywine river. The shock was felt as far as Wilmington and Chester, Pa. The victims were blown to pieces.

Trial Postponed. Baltimore, March 8.—The trial of Joseph Janer, charged with abducting and committing a serious offense on the person of 11-year-old Katherine Lorch, of Babylon, N. Y., was postponed today until March 10. The defense was a plea of insanity.

The New York Stock Market. New York, March 8.—The general list was strong during the first hour. The early break in Reading was followed by a sharp rally almost all the loss being recovered within a few minutes.

THE CAUSE OF COLDS. Good Advice Regarding the Prevention of Coughs and Colds. If people would only properly fortify and strengthen their systems, which is as an internal skin of the body.

SUPPOSED MURDER.

About ten o'clock yesterday morning Richard Wines, a railroad man, and Walter Smith, colored, who were crossing a field a short distance northwest of Alexandria, discovered the body of a strange man. The body was lying in snow and mud, with arms stretched at right angles. A ghastly wound had been made in the neck.

The men hurried to Union Station, and notified Special Officer L. O. Hardin. The letter suggested to the men employed at Union Station that they keep away from the corpse until the police arrived on the scene in order that footprints might not be obliterated, and the special officer in the meantime, communicated with Chief Good of the Alexandria police.

The officers proceeded to make an examination of the body. In the clothing of the dead man the police found a gold watch and a black leather folding pocketbook containing three Wells-Fargo Express Company money orders for \$100 each, dated at Los Angeles, Cal., December 9, 1908, and made payable in each instance to Walter F. Schultz.

The police also found on the body a letter presumably from the dead man's sister, and three cards, one bearing the name of Mrs. Alvan Home Gillette, another was a business card of The Berkeley, 223 north Capitol street, Washington, and the third was marked "J. L. Burch, carriage builder, Washington, D. C."

The letter reads as follows: "St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 30, 1908. "Dear Walter: You surprised us greatly when you asked us where we thought you would next land—Cuba or Chicago. We wondered whether you took a sea voyage up to Washington or went by train. We glanced a great deal out of your descriptive letters, and enjoyed them immensely. Have you any idea where you will settle? Will you return to Washington? Alphonse is located within five minutes' walk of Sears-Roebuck Company's store. Brother bought a suit of clothing the other day for \$25. He is doing well. As ever,

"ELLEN DOROTHY." The envelope of the letter, thought to be from the man's sister, is postmarked at Sioux City, Iowa, December 30, 1908, and is addressed to "Walter Schultz, Gen. Del., Washington, D. C." On one end of the envelope was written 1314 Douglas street, Sioux City, Iowa.

The shoes were of good quality, but had been worn some time. A long black overcoat of expensive make had been stripped of everything that would aid in identification. The clothing was of soft blue serge and fashionably cut. A soft blue and white shirt and a soft collar bore no laundry marks and some pieces of thread on the back of the shirt showed where a cloth label had been torn off.

The dead man is described as about 35 years old, 5 feet 6 inches tall, of muscular build, weighing about 160 pounds, and with heavy brown hair and blue eyes. His chin and lip were partially covered with a beard of about two days' growth. His features were strong and clear cut. His hands are white and soft of texture, with well-kept nails. One of the articles found in the man's overcoat pocket has been a source of considerable speculation among the police.

It is a piece of rubber tubing, about five feet long and about the size of an ordinary lead pencil. Evidently for convenience in carrying it had been rolled into a coil and tied with an old shoe-string.

The name of Mrs. Alvan Home Gillette does not appear in the Washington directory, and though the police of that city tried to find a woman by that name, their efforts were unsuccessful. No "J. L. Burch, carriage builder, Washington, D. C." can be found either, but there is a J. A. Burch, carpenter and builder, of 1522 Wisconsin avenue northwest, who formerly was in the carriage business. When seen last night Mr. Burch said he knew nothing of the man found dead. He did not remember having ever given any one a card of this description.

At the Berkeley apartment, 223 north Capitol street, no one remembered a man by the name of Schultz, and the records show that no person by that name has lived there within the past two years. More than two years ago a man by the name of John Schultz, occupied apartments there, but his description, it is asserted, does not tally with that of the dead man.

R. L. Mayhugh and E. C. Atkinson, two young men of this city, found in a clump of bushes about 50 yards north of where the body was discovered, a few colored soft hats with a brown band. There was nothing in the hat to indicate where it had been purchased, but on the inside of the crown is a dark spot about the size of a dime, which the police believe is a blood stain.

Edward Parfitt, conductor on the Southern Railway, says he saw a man lying in the field about 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon last. He thought the man was drunk, and paid little attention to him.

A man named Tompa, employed as a section hand on the Southern Railway, told the police he saw a man walking along the railroad near the place where the body was found. Tompa declares he saw the man about 9 o'clock Saturday morning, and that he fitted the description of the body of the supposed murdered man in every particular.

Coroner Moore stated that he made an examination of the body, but he could give no opinion as to whether it was a case of murder or suicide. The gash in the man's throat, he said, was about 3 inches long and 2 inches deep. It would have been possible for the man to have inflicted it himself and to have then run a distance of 150 or 200 yards before falling. A feature of the case, which does not seem to bear out the suicide theory, is that the only blood on the clothing was on the left side of the white collar, and a few drops on the under-

Wholesale Prices of Produce

Table listing various produce items and their prices, including Flour Extra, Family, Fancy brands, Wheat, Mixed, Corn, etc.

For Diseases of the Skin

Nearly all diseases of the skin such as eczema, tetter, scab rheum and barbers' itch, are characterized by an intense itching and smarting, which often makes life a burden and disturbs sleep and rest.

AUCTION SALE.

R. F. Knox, Auctioneer. AUCTION SALE OF A DESIRABLE DWELLING AND LOT ON KING STREET, IN THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

Beginning on the north side of King street, between West and Payne streets, at the southwest corner of the lot covered by Taylor to Grigg, by deed dated February 12, 1893, and extending north and binding with the west wall of said house, the whole extent thereof, more particularly as shown on West street one hundred and twenty feet from the beginning to a ten feet alley; these extending west with the line of said alley and parallel with King street thirty-nine feet to a point opposite the middle of the partition wall between the house on this lot and the brick dwelling adjoining it on the west; thence south through the middle of the said dividing wall to King street and parallel with West street, being about one hundred and twenty feet; and thence east on King street thirty-nine feet to the point of beginning, with all appurtenances to the same belonging, it being the same property which was conveyed to Emma J. Kelly by Wilmer H. Zimmerman, by deed dated October 23, 1901, and duly recorded in the land records of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, in Deed Book 47, page 337.

Terms of Sale: One-third cash, the balance in six and twelve months, the deferred payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser, bearing interest at six per cent per annum and the title to be retained until all the purchase money is paid, or at the option of the purchaser, all cash may be paid and the deed can be executed at once.

Courtyoucing at the cost of the purchaser, GARDNER L. BOOTHIE, Special Commissioner. I, NEVILLE S. GREENAWAY, Clerk of the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, do hereby certify that Gardner L. Boothie has entered into bond with approved surety in the penalty of two thousand dollars, in accordance with the requirements of the above mentioned decree.

Given under my hand this 8th day of March, 1909. NEVILLE S. GREENAWAY, Clerk. BY LOUIS N. DUFFY, D. C. marsh 10

Unneeded bits OR CASH? TRY THE Alexandria Claim Adjusters 119 South Fairfax Street.